

**AGENDA  
MAPLE PLAIN CITY COUNCIL – WORKSHOP  
MAPLE PLAIN CITY HALL  
FEBRUARY 24, 2015  
5:30 PM**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. ADOPT THE AGENDA**
- 3. STAFFING**
- 4. OTHER ISSUES**
  - A. Drake and Perkins Update**
  - B. Upcoming Scheduling**
- 5. ADJOURNMENT (must be done by 6 p.m. for Strategic Planning Meeting)**

# Memorandum

**To:** Mayor and City Council Members  
**From:** Tessia Melvin, City Administrator  
**Date:** February 24, 2015  
**Re:** Drake and Perkins Update

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## **BACKGROUND**

Staff has been working with the residents of the Drake and Perkins neighborhood for the past year to determine drainage issues and provide possible solutions. The City Council approved using City storm water funds to televise and survey the area to collect any information that may help staff create possible solutions.

## **HISTORY**

Staff met with the residents to discuss the options that were determined by the City Engineer and staff to provide solutions to the drainage issues. Attached are City Engineer's minutes from the neighborhood meeting.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that the Council consider hosting a neighborhood meeting to discuss the concerns, solutions and how this fits into the City's Pavement and Management plan.

## Meeting with Residents

Perkins Drainage Issues / 193801803

Date/Time: February 3, 2015 / 6:00 pm  
 Place: Maple Plain City Hall – Discovery Center  
 Next Meeting: Not Determined  
 Attendees: Brian and Ruthmary Nowak (1735 Perkins), Frank Smaron for Marion Merz (1687 Perkins), Larry Hanke (1754 Howard), Nate Scott (1730 Howard), Chris Doyle (1740 Howard), Roberta Rott (1754 Howard)  
 Absentees: Tessia Melvin due to illness  
 Distribution: City Staff, \_\_\_\_\_

**Discussions:** The City Engineer’s Memo and Attachments dated January 9, 2015 were handed out to the attendees. The memo discussed three options related to drainage issues in this area.

We also updated the residents that there is a 10’ drainage and utility easement that shows up along the west property lines of the backyard of the lots west of Perkins on the Gladview Gardens Third Addition Plat.

Those options were reviewed with the residents, and the following items are a summary of the discussions at the meeting:

Item	Action by
1. Option 2 - Timing of reconstruction of Perkins is not known at this time. The City is reviewing their pavement management/capital improvement program. We reviewed the condition of the underground utilities and Infiltration and Inflow (I & I) issues were part of the decision to proceed on some of the past projects.	
2. Option 3 - The residents asked how far the televising went from the catchbasin to the west before the camera stopped. I said I would need to check with Matt.	Matt Morris
3. Frank Smaron discussed the following items related to his Aunt Marion Merz’s property at 1687 Perkins.	
a. Her driveway was replaced around 3 to 4 years ago (but not for sure on the date).	
b. When replacing her driveway, some clay tile was disturbed/found by the contractor on the north side of her driveway. Frank did not know what the purpose was of the tile, and he directed the contractor to continue their work.	
c. Marion has existing 4” draintile around her house that was televised and found to be clean. There is no sump in her basement. Her house is up higher than the street, and this draintile flows into a 1-1/2” pipe.	
d. Frank coordinated with the City to discharge this pipe - +/- 10’ from curb.	

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e. There was a 3" rain in 2014 (?) that resulted in water getting into the basement at 1687 Perkins. The water seeped in from walls and cracks in the floor of the basement.	
f. After a second rain event, and there was a spot near the south part of the driveway at the street that open up from the pressure and seemed to release the water. The water in the basement then went down.	
g. There is now a settlement in the driveway. Frank plans to dig this up this spring, and could work with Public Works to see if there is any tile in this area when he does that work.	Dan discuss with Staff
h. Frank would like to place some type of structure to allow the water to continue to discharge in a safe manner in the area where the water released previously until the street is reconstructed.	Dan discuss with Staff
4. Water bubbles out of the cracks in the street from some past rain events.	
5. The neighbor at 1685 Perkins Lane (1 lot south of Marion Merz's) had a 6' deep sink hole that showed up around 4 to 5 years ago that was filled.	
6. Property owners wondered if any utility companies could have hit the tile when placing their utilities in the boulevard.	
7. There has always been water that sits in the back yard areas in the spring with frozen ground, but the residents have not noticed the large amount of water ponding as they have seen in the last few years.	
8. Could the City investigate if there are any easements on the other Gladview Garden's plats for the east property line of homes along Howard Avenue?	Dan discuss with Staff
9. The residents discussed an Option 4. That option would be to grade a swale down the backyards of the properties to the south of the catchbasin. We discussed that the storm sewer system in Option 1 and 2 is designed for 10-year storm events. A swale would provide an emergency overflow location for larger storm events.	Residents to discuss with neighbors
10. The residents seemed in support of further investigating the options discussed by Frank Smaron in Item 3.g and 3.h. I asked if there was any cost contribution from the residents that I could discuss with Staff based on previous Council discussions that this is a private drainage issue. Feedback from one resident was that they felt the City should continue to help pay for the 3.g and 3.h items.	
11. I said I would review the discussion items with City Staff and then report back to Brian Nowak, our main contact at this time with the neighborhood, on the next steps from a Staff perspective.	

The meeting adjourned between 7:15 to 7:30 PM.

The foregoing is considered to be a true and accurate record of all items discussed. If any discrepancies or inconsistencies are noted, please contact the writer immediately.

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